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A fond farewell

Elizabeth "Betsy" Sullivan attends her last meeting as a selectman

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DUXBURY - After her many years of service to the town, Selectman Betsy Sullivan said farewell to the Board of Selectmen Monday night.

Accompanied by her family - her mother, Betty Humphreys, her husband, Skip, her daughters, Caitlin, Molly Sullivan Mazanec and Casey, and her son, Teddy - Sullivan attended her last selectmen's meeting.

Sullivan said it has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve the town and summed up her years as a selectman at the end of the meeting.

"I loved every minute of it," she said.

There were words of praise all around for her years as a selectman. Selectmen Chairman Shawn Dahlen called her a "shining star". Town

Manager Richard MacDonald said Sullivan would be missed and remembered as a tremendous selectman who made the town proud.

State Rep. Tom Calter, D-Kingston, presented Sullivan with a proclamation from the House of Representatives and thanked her for being kind, compassionate, thoughtful and always having the best interests of the town at heart.

"You're always the person to make sure conflicts get resolved in an amicable way," he said.

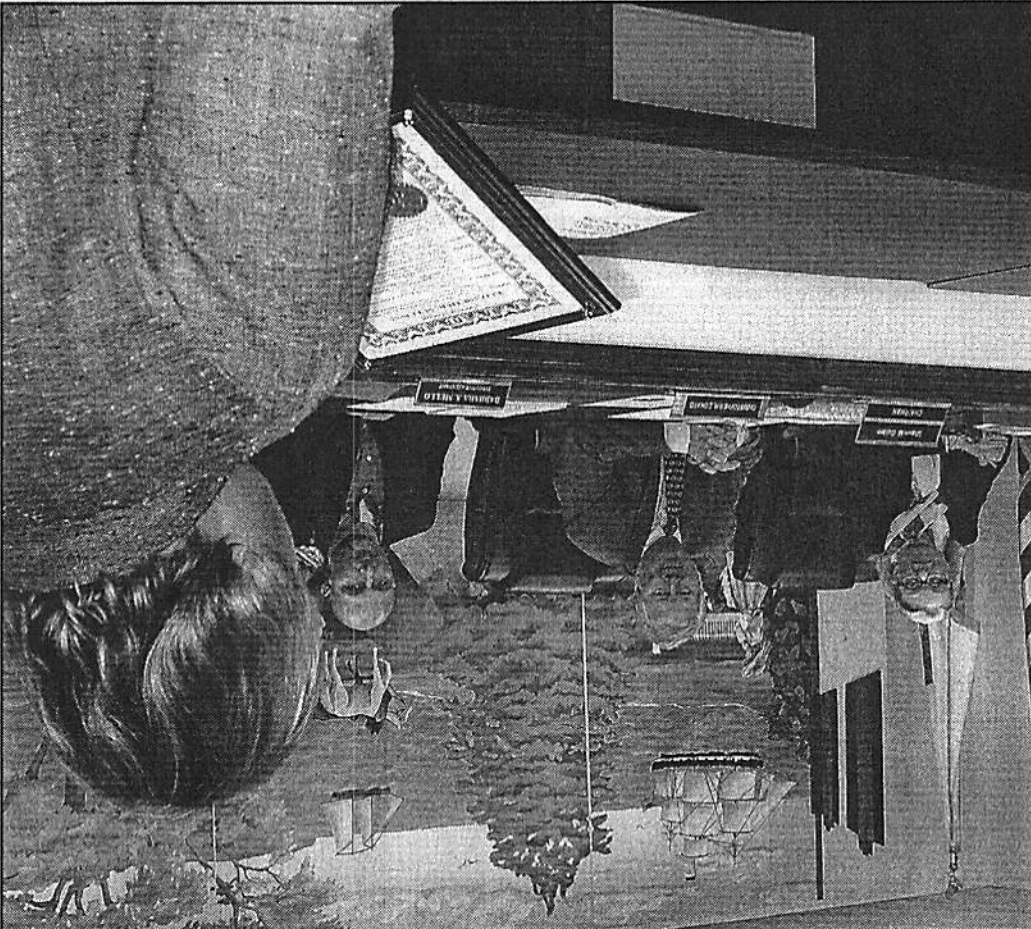
Executive Assistant to the Town Manager Barbara Mello and Administrative Assistant C. Anne Murray also paid tribute to Sullivan Monday night with a proclamation in her honor. Sullivan had earlier been recognized for her efforts on behalf of the town at Town Meeting.



Selectman Betsy Sullivan, center, ends her run on the board alongside her family. From left: son Teddy, her husband, Skip, her daughter Caitlin, her mother, Betty Humphreys, and her daughters, Molly Sullivan Mazanec and Casey Sullivan.



State Rep. Tom Calter, D-Kingston, presents Selectman Betsy Sullivan with a proclamation from the House of Representatives with Town Manager Richard MacDonald, left, Selectmen Chairman Shawn Dahlen and Selectman Chris Donato.



Duxbury Administrative Assistant C. Anne Murray reads a proclamation on behalf of herself and Executive Assistant to the Town Manager Barbara Mello in tribute to Selectman Betsy Sullivan for her years of service. STAFF PHOTO/KATHRYN KOCK